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MOORE TESTIMONY ALL IN.

THE PRISONER'S MOTHER-IN-LAW A WITNESS AGAINST HIM.

NO WITNESSES CALLED BY THE DEFENCE-COUN-BEL TO SUM UP AND THE CASE TO GO TO THE JURY TO-DAY.

Martin Mahon, proprietor of the New-Amsterdam Hotel, whom W. A. E. Moore and his alleged wife, Fayne, are accused of "badgering" out of a diamond pin and a promissory note for resumption of Moore's second trial yesterday. Abraham Levy, counsel for Moore, went over the old ground with Mahon and the latter got somewhat excited under the instnuations conveyed

some of the questions. "I am here to tell the truth," he blurted out at "I am a gentleman." "I hope so," said Mr. Levy, satirically. witness in another moment of ruffled dis

quiet said that, no matter what he was, he was not bald-headed, but Mr. Levy, who is, was not disturbed. Mahon insisted that the purpose of his visit to the Hotel Grenoble on the night of the alleged robbery was to get back his diamond scarfpin. When asked why he did not try to recover the diamond and sapphire bracelet he had given to Mrs. Moore, he said that that was a gift. He denied having appealed for mercy from Moore for the sake of his wife and children, but testified that Mrs. Moore had pleaded with her husband not to kill him and herself, promising if her life was spared to go away from Moore forever. There was some laughter in court at this statement. The witness added that he was so dazed from fright that he was unable fully to collect his thoughts for two days after the "incident."

Mr. Levy wanted Mahon to explain why it was that he did not return to his wife and children in-stead of going to his hotel after the escapade in the Hotel Grenoble. Mahon hotly retorted that he wished his wife and children left out of this case. The Recorder remarked that the questions pursued in that particular line of inquiry warranted the tart reply made by the witness.

Thomas Kean, of No. 639 Sixth-ave., who painted and cured Mahon's black eyes, was next He described Mahon's facial appearance when the latter went to him for treatment on the day succeeding the alleged robbery. Lorenzo W. Foster, the manager of the New-Amsterdam Hotel, and Detective Sergeant Cuff afterward repeated the testimony they gave at the former trial. latter said that while Moore was trying to knock him down with a revolver at the time of the arrest Mrs. Moore ay in bed calmly smoking a

rest Mrs. Moore my in bed calmly smoking a cigarette.

After recess Henry N. Field, of No. 262 West Fifty-third-st., was called.

"What is your business?" Mr. McIntyre asked.
"I am a mixologist," said the witness haughtily.
"What's that?" inquired Mr. Levy.
"A bartender," was the response, and everybody laughed.
"Does the practice of your science affect your voice?" the Recorder asked.
"No," was the response. The witness told of ceeing Moore and Mahon drinking together after the time of the alleged robbery.
Joseph Meyers, a colored beliboy at the Hotel Grenoble, testified to having seen Moore and Mahon together in the hote, on the night of the alleged robbery. He saw Mahon coming downstairs at 10 celock on the night of the alleged robbery. He saw Mahon coming downstairs at 10 celock on the night of the alleged robbery. Moore following close behind. Moore, the boy said, treated Mahon to a cigar at the cigar stand on their way out of the hote! He had seen Mrs. Moore enter the hotel earlier in the evening in the company of Martin Mahon.

Mr. Levy got permission to have Mrs. Moore produced in court for identification. There was a craning of necks and a murmur of satisfaction on the part of the curious when she appeared. She made an ineffectual attempt to attract the attention of Mr. Levy by waving her gioved hand, Moore did not look in her direction.

Mrs. Fannie E. Johnson, of No. 363 West Fifty-seventh-st, was afterward called, and an ineffectual attempt to attract the attention of mot look in her direction.

Mrs. Fannie E. Johnson, said Mr. McIntyre, and he witness stepped down and out. Then came the most important event of the day. Mrs. Margaret Gaw, of Cleveland, Ohio, a matronly woman about fifty years old, was called. Moore eyed her scornfully, and was apparently prepared for the result of her presence in court. She testified that she had known Moore for twelve or fourteen years and that he was her daughter's husband. Her daughter was margaret fire, of Contributors address," showing that a number of people h

State rests," said Mr. McIntyre, after put-"The State rests," said Mr. McIntyre, after putting this in evidence. Mr. Levy offered the usual
motions for dismissal, all of which were defield.
He then announced that he had decided not to
call any witnesses for the defence, and rested his
case on the evidence of the prosecution, as he
had done at the first trial.

The case was adjourned until to-day, Mr. Levy
saying that he was physically unable to present
his case to the jury. It is practically certain that
the case will go to the jury to-day.

ATLANTIC SAFE AT HALIFAX.

PICKED UP BY THE ELTON AFTER TEN DAYS OF STORMY DRIFTING.

Hallfax, N. S., Dec. 15 .- The steamer Elton, from Baltimore for Queenstown, entered the harbor to-day having in tow the steamer Atlantic, from Delaware Breakwater for Liverpool, with her tall shaft broken. Captain Anwood of the Atlantic re-ports that she broke her tall shaft on Decem-ber 1. On the 4th she was picked up by the steamer Eddystone, but after twenty-eight hours, during which the tow-lines broke twice, the vessels parted She then drifted to Nantucket Shoals and awaited assistance from Boston, Becoming anxious for the safety of his ship, he weighed anchor on the 6th at 10 p. m. The wind was blowing strong at the time, and it was feared that she would go

shore. The Atlantic was also out of the route of steamers, and had little chance of being picked up. The gale increased, and was accompanied by heavy snow squalls. On the 9th she was put before the wind under forestaysail and fib, and drifted sev-

wind under forestaysall and jib, and drifted seventy miles.

On the lith the gale had increased in fury, and a ship was sighted. Signals of distress were sent up, and it was soon seen that the other steamer was also helpless. She was burning lights, but did not reply to signals. A collision was fortunately avoided, although the Atlantic was drifting fast. An effort was made to wear ship, but she would not answer her helm. She was therefore hove-to under bare poles, as the gale had increased and a heavy sea was running.

The lith, however, brought succor. The steamer Elton was sighted, and Captain Ramsay consented to take the Atlantic in tow. She was then 350 miles from this port, in latitude 39.12, longitude 67.23. As the which had moderated considerably, little trouble was experienced in getting out the lines, and the vessels made good progress to this port.

CREWS RESCUED AT SEA. MANY SHIPWRECKED MARINERS SAVED FROM DEATH BY PASSING VESSELS.

Liverpool, Dec. 15.-The British steamer Holywell, Captain Brown, from Galveston, November 23, arrived here to-day with the crew of the American schooner M. S. Dowling, which was abandoned on December 2, in latitude 38 north, longitude 63 west. The M. S. Dowling was last reported arrived at Cape Haytien on October 1, from Philadelphia, and getting ready to sail for New-York. She regis-

Ayres, reports having spoken the British bark Aretas on December 9 in latitude 40 north, longitude 12 west, with the crew on board of the Italian bark Salvatore, of 638 tons, which salied from Bangor, Me., on October 29, in command of Captain Cerase, for Palermo, Sicily, and which had been abandoned in a water-logged condition on November 23 in latitude 28 north, longitude 37 west.

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Glasgow, Dec. 18.—The Allan Line steamer Sarmatian, Captain Johnston, which arrived here December 12, from Portland, Me., rescued and brought to port three members of the crew of the Nova Scotia schooner Annie G., which sailed from Bridgeton, N. S., for New-York, and was previously reported sighted, abandoned, on December 4. The men were taken off the wreck on December 1, in latitude 42 north, longitude 67 west. The captain and a seaman had been washed overhoard and drowned previous to the rescue.

FIRE IN THE SHIP TROOP. Yokohama. Dec. 15.-A fire in the British ship Troop, which arrived here on December 3 from New-York, was extinguished after causing slight damage to the vessel. The cargo was damaged by sea water used to put out the flames.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM LEAGUE.

ANNUAL SESSION OPENED IN BALTIMORE-PRESIDENT CARL SCHURZ CRITICISES NATIONAL AND NEW-YORK ADMINISTRATIONS.

Baltimore, Dec. 15.-The eighteenth annual convention of the National Civil Service Reform League began in this city this morning, and will end to-morrow night. This morning's work was onfined to a meeting of the members of the General Committee and of the Executive Committee the meeting being a joint one, held behind closed doors. At the close of the executive session it was announced that nothing of importance had been done except to authorize the appointment of a committee of seven to investigate charges of violations of Civil Service rules and to inquire the manner in which appointments have been made by the War Department and in the consular service, the committee to file its report in a few weeks. At the afternoon session the report of the secretary, George McAneny, was read and approved, after which papers were read on "Colonial Administration-A Warning from Spain," by Henry H. Glassie, of Washington, and on "Criminal Offences Among Federal Civil Servants in Maryland Under the Spoils and Under the Merit Systems," by John C. Rose, United States District-Attorney, of Baltimore. Mr. Glassie, in his paper, asserted that the ac-

cession of Porto Rico and the Philippines marked a new epoch in the history of the United States. and that much might be learned by a review of the circumstances connected with Spanish rule in cold nies, especially in Cuba. He reviewed the history of Spanish rule in Cuba, quoting freely from th reports of various officials of that colony, from which he drew the conclusion that many, if no all, of the evils which have resulted from Spanish dominion in the colonies have come from insufficient pay to civil and military officers and fro er methods in making promotions. By avoid ing these Mr. Glassie asserted that we may not only he able to provide a proper government for the Antilles and the Philippines, but at the same time greatly improve that of the country in which

The following officers were selected to-day: Secre tary, George McAneny, of New-York; treasurer, A. S. Frissell, of New-York. Executive Committee— William A. Alker, of New-York William A. Alken, of Norwich, Conn.; Charles J. Bonaparte, of Baltimore; Silas W. Burt, of New-York; Edward Cary, of New-York; Charles Collins, of New-York; Lucius B. Swift, of Indianapolis; Richard Henry Dana, of Boston; John W. Els, of Chicago; William Dudley Foulke, of Richmond. Ind.; Richard Watson Gilder, of New-York; Herbert Welsh, of Philadelphia; William G. Low, of Brooklyn; Dorman B. Eaton, of New-York; William adelphia; Sherman S. Kogers, of Buffalo; Carl Schurz, of New-York; Edward M. Shepard, of New-York; Moorfield Storey, of Boston; Everett P. Wheeler, of New-York, and Morrill Wymuz, Jr., of Cambridge, Mass.

In the evening, at Lehman's Hall, Carl Schurz, president of the League, delivered his annual address. Potts, of New-York; Charles Richardson, of Phi

Mr. Schurz said in part:

At present we find ourselves, much against our liking, compelled to recognize the fact that in the year now ending the cause of Civil Service Reform has been less prosperous than in the year which preceded it. In saying this I have the National service especially in mind.

He spoke at length about the National Civil Service. Concerning New-York he said:

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The story of that Governor of New-York who undertook to take the starch out of the Civil Service of his State is familiar to you all. He did, indeed, succeed in taking out of the Civil Service much of the starch it contained, although, thanks to the watchful energy of the friends of Civil Service Reform in the State, by no means as much as he had intended. But now, having been dropped by those whom he had sought to serve (but, it seems, whom after all he did not serve (but, it seems, whom whom he had sought to serve that, it seems, whom after all he did not serve enough to keep their favor), he will be succeeded by a new Governor. Colonel Roosevelt, who, in whatever other respects some of us may differ with him, is halled by all of us as a champion of Civil Service Reform, who in many a hard-fought contest for that cause hus amply proved that in his composition there was starch in almost limitless abundance. We may therefore confidently expect that, so far as his power reaches, we shall not only recover the ground temporarily lost under his predecessor, but advance beyond it to new fields. At any rate, in the co-operation between Governor Roosevelt and the Civil Service Reformers of the State, good faith and energy will not be wanting, and as there is no doubt that the best part of the intelligence and respectability of that great Commonwealth stands behind them, a happy outcome may surely be hoped for. In conclusion he said:

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The present situation may be summed up thus:
The National Administration has so far failed to redeem the pledge contained in the platform upon which it was elected—not only to "enforce the Civil Service laws honestly and thoroughly," but also to "extend it wherever practicable"; and various abuses have been allowed to creep into the conduct of the Civil Service, which have had the effect of nullifying the spirit and intent of the law and of the rules in a considerable number of cases. It is gladly acknowledged that the number of cases it is gladly acknowledged that the number of such cases is still so limited that it may be spoken of as exceptional. But it has been large and conspicuous enough to impair the confidence of many people in the honest enforcement of the merit system, and to justify the apprehension that if the abuses complained of be permitted to continue and to spread they will undermine the discipline of the service and bring back many of the worst evils which the introduction of the merit system was designed to remedy. On the other hand, recent events have served to put the necessity of the maintenance and of the greatest possible extension of the merit system in a stronger light than even, and still more to invigorate that patriotic public opinion which, steadily increasing in righteous power, will not only not tolerate any backward step, but never cease to press on until the work of reform is wholly accomplished and firmly founded.

TWO POLICEMEN TAKE SIX BURGLARS.

CLUBBED THEM INTO SUBMISSION AND SECURED

tured six thieves and took them to the police station. Some boys saw the men go into the shop of Solomon Silverbatt, a cloth dealer, of Nos. 22 and 34 Canal-st., on Wednesday night, and they told the police. The men took a bag in with them, and the policemen waited for them to come out. They soon reappeared with the bag filled with something. The policemen followed them into the tenement-house at No. 29 Allen-st. The policemen found them in a room on the top floor, and they, on seeing the policemen, shut and locked the door. When Devine and Barnett got in by bursting the door the men attacked them. None of the assailants seemed to care to use weapons, but they took the policemen by surprise at first, and pushed them out of the place. They soon recovered however, drew their clubs and drove the men back, clubbing them till every man gave in.

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Policeman Devine then started a search for the bag, and the men took the opportunity to attack the policemen again. Another fight ensued, the men fighting hard for their liberty, but again they were clubbed into submission. As the first two yielded the others darted for the windows. Two of them get out on the fire-escape, but were dragged back. The bag contained eleven rolls of cloth, valued at \$5. The six men were locked up. All but one are ex-convicts. Yesterday it was found that Silverblatt's place had been rolbed before. In the Essex Market Police Court the six men were held for examination on a charge of burglary.

STATE TRUST COMPANY CHANGES.

The trustees of the State Trust Company, at their meeting yesterday afternoon, accepted the resigna-tion of Francis S. Bangs as president, and elected as his successor William A. Wheelock. They also elected three new trustees-Mr. Wheelock, in place of Mr. Bangs; Eithu Root and Colonel Joel B. Er. hardt, president of the Lawyers' Surety Company Cape Haytien on October 1, from Philadelphia, and getting ready to sail for New-York. She registered 274 tons.

London, Dec. 15.—The British steamer Eric, Captain Taylor, from Galveston, November 21, by way of Newport News November 29, for Rotterdam, passed Beilly Islands to-day and signalled that she had rescued the crew of the schooner Bertram N. White, of Machias, Me, which sailed from Jacksonville in command of Captain Kelly, for Philadelphia, and which was previously reported signted abandoned on December 2 by the British steamer Gallina, which arrived at Philadelphia.

The British steamer Hasuta, Captain Taylor, which arrived at Gravesend yosterday from Buenos

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TO CONTROL STREET-LIGHTING.

FORMATION OF A COMBINATION IN PHILA-DELPHIA TO REACH OUT TO OTHER CITIES.

Philadelphia, Dec. 15,-"The Evening Telegraph" publishes an article this afternoon to the effect that preliminary plans were laid in this city to-day formation of a powerful combination to control the street-lighting business, now in the hands of private companies, all over the United States east of the Mississippi River. It goes on to say that the deal will affect seven companies now controlled by the Pennsylvania Globe Gas Light Company, the controlling stock of which is owned by the United Gas Improvement interests and the Kitson Incandescent Light and Gas Com-

pany of this city. The deal provides for a capitalization of \$12,000,000. and it is proposed that it shall go into effect January 1, 1899. The companies involved are the followcontrolled by the Pennsylvania Globe and Gas Light Company: The Welsbach Street Lighting company, of Chicago; the New-York and New-Jer sey Globe and Gas Light Company, of New-York: the Chicago Globe and Gas Light Company, of Chicago; the Canton Globe and Gas Company, of Canton, Ohio; the Pennsylvania Globe and Gas Light Company, and two other companies not yet named, and also the Kitson Incandescent Gas Light Com-

and also the Kitson Incandescent Gas Light Company.

The deal will carry with it four large factories, owned by the Kitson, the Pennsylvania Globe and the Chicago Globe, and will cover the operation of sixty thousand lights in different cities, which will be shortly increased by a contract for fifty thousand lights which the Kitson company is about to close. The Welsbach company has the exclusive right to furnish street-lighting with Welsbach lights, and now operates its system in fifty different cities. The Pennsylvania Globe is now operating all over Pennsylvania, New-Jersey, Delaware, Maryland and other States. The New-York company has five thousand lamps in operation in New-York City, and the other companies operate plants in the cities where they are situated. The Kitson company operates fifteen sub-organizations in various parts of the South.

It is stated that George W. Elkins will be the President: Edward C. Lee, now treasurer of the United Gas Improvement Company, the treasurer, and Thomas Dolan, Samuel T. Bodine, P. A. B. Widener, George W. Elkins, George D. Widener, Arthur Kitson and Michael Ehret, Ir., are named as probable directors. It is said the capital stock of \$12,000,000 will, be divided into \$5,000,000 preferred non-cumulative stock and \$5,000,000 common.

BUFFALO'S GRAIN BLOCKADE.

continues, and is unprecedented. At noon to-day fully eighty large steamers were in the river frozen in, waiting to be unloaded. They carry about 9,000,000 7,000,000 bushels is at present stored. This total of 16,000,000 bushels of grain affoat and temporarily in store is a record-breaker of the first dimension. Ice is forming too rapidly to permit any of the boats attempting another trip up the lakes, consequently this great fleet of grain-carriers will be forced to winter in this port. The railroads are greatly hampered by the continued snow blockades in their efforts to get the grain to the seaboard.

COURT CALENDARS FOR TO DAY.

ica. Supreme Court—Trial Term—Part V—Refore Dugro, J.— suses to be sent from Part III for trial. Case unfin Supreme Cour: Trial Term-Part VI-Adjourned until Monday, December 19, 1898 Supreme Court—Trial Term—Part VII—Before Beach, No. 1683, 1153, 2024, 2216, 1946, 2025, 2078, 3354, 404, 3418, 3426, 2466, 2566, 3564, 3617, 3617, 3626, 364, 3438, 3426, 346, 3566, 3567, 3511, 3617, 3626, 3621, 3735, 3736, 3364, 3365, 3456, 3485, 3667, 367, 267, 2687, 2 se unfinished. Supreme Court—Trial Term—Part X—Before MacLean, -Causes to be sent from Part VII for trial. Case unushed. Supreme Court-Trial Term-Part XII Refore Davy, J. Causes to be sent from preferred calendar for trial. Clear.

Clear.

Surrogate's Court—Chambers—Before Arnold, S.—Motion calendar called at 19:20 a. m. Wills for probate:
Sophia B. Levy, William H. Pierce, Sarah M. Donahue,
Mathias Thiel, August Kenne, at 19:30 a. m., Mord Vorts,
Helen M. Bradish, John W. Williams, at 2 p. m.
Surrogate's Court—Trial Term—Before Pitzgerald, S.—
No. 1422, will of Frederick E. Roen, at 19:30 a. m.; No.
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1429, will of John Lattimore at 19:30 a. m.; City Court—Special Term—Before O'Dwyer, J.—Court
opens at 19 a. m. Motions at 19:39 a. m.
City Court—Trial Term—Part I.—Before Conlan, J.—
Nos. 872, 1765, 821, 1555, 1911, 560, 8846, 1775, 1894, 1895,
1894, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1916, 6971, 1896, 5785, 1892, 213,
1763, 1913, 1907, 1759, 543, 2034, 2035, 2036, Case unfinished.
City Court—Trial Term—Part II—Before Olcott, J.—

REFEREES APPOINTED. By Cohen, J.
Cox agt. Hamilton—Charles D. Cleveland,
Puerner agt. Bentz—F. C. Cantine. By Russell, J. Book agt. Bohm-Thomas F. Donnelly, By Pischoff, jr., J. Keenan agt. Douphinals—George W. Lockwood. Meyer agt. Krasser—William J. A. McKim. Matter of Laski—William J. A. McKim. By Lawrence, J. Kortright agt. Taylor (three cases)—Robert Sturges, RECEIVER APPOINTED.

Supreme Court, By Lawrence, J.

Annie Khugenberg agt. John Regan—Theodore Hansen.

STATE BOARD OF CANVASSERS. Albany, Dec. 15.-Secretary of State Palmer, Aters, met in the Secretary of State's office at 10 o'clock to-day, and as no election returns were at hand, owing to the delay caused by the counting of the soldier vote, there was nothing for them to do, and an adjournment was taken until to-morrow at 10 o'clock. The Election law provides that the State Board of Canvassers must meet on or before December 18, and that adjournments may be taken for a period of one day, but not more than five such adjournments may be taken unless under an order of the Court. The Soldier Vote law, however, provides that the State Board of Canvassers must canvass the vote by December 28. The Board Books and Publications.

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BUTTERFLIES IN COLOR.

LEFT HER CHILD IN A POLICE STATION. BUT A DESERTED WIFE WAS ARRESTED BEFORE

SHE GOT FAR AWAY. While Sergeant McNally, of the blcycle squad, was sitting at his desk in the police station of the squad at Broadway and Fifty-eighth-st. yesterday afternoon, a woman opened the door, pushed a child inside and then hurried away. McNally sent a policeman after her, who brought her back.

The woman described herself as Maria Fister, of No. 221 East Eighty-ninth-st. The child is a boy, Louis, three years old. The woman is about thirty-two years old. She said her husband had deserted her, and that she had been unable to get work, and did not know what else to do but leave her child and go to a hospital. Magistrate Brann, in the West Side Court, committed her to Bellevue Hospital because of a deranged mind. The boy was sent to the Gerry society rooms. While Sergeant McNally, of the bicycle squad,

SNOW SHOVELLERS TO BE PAID TO-DAY. Another delegation of street sweepers called on Another delegation of street sweepers called or Mayor Van Wyck yesterday to complain about no heing paid for work done at snow shovelling. The Mayor told them that he had communicated with Controller Coler, and had been informed that the payrolls were ready, but, owing to certain formaties that had to be observed in the Finance Department, the men could not be paid before to-day use for the payment of the snow shovellers this morning.

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